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TAGS: CASC,CPRS,MX (HILL AIRCRAFT AND LEASING)

SUBJECT:RECOVERY OF AIRPLANE HELD BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES

REF: EMBASSY 5617 AND PREVIOUS

INSTANCE CONGRESSMAN JOHN FLYNT

GUY HILL CLAIMS HE HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY A JOHN RUSSELL, ALLEGEDLY AN INSURANCE ADJUSTER IN MEXICO D.F., (TEL:563-6420) WHO REPORTEDLY STATED HE COULD ACHIEVE RELEASE OF AIRCRAFT N-5234-S IF HILL WOULD FURNISH HIM WITH FIVE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (DOLS 5,800). HILL ALSO REPORTS THAT RUSSELL ALLEGES THAT HE IS WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AT MEXICO IN SUCH MATTERS. HILL REPORTEDLY TOLD CONGRESSMAN'S OFFICE HE IS PREPARED TO DO WHATEVER NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE RELEASE OF PLANE. HILL IS CONCERNED, HOWEVER, SINCE RUSSELL QUOTED WRONG AIRCRAFT NUMBER TO HIM. AS EMBASSY AWARE, HILL'S AIRCRAFT NUMBER IS N-5222-S, NOT N-5234-S.

CONGRESSMAN INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT JOHN RUSSELL AND WHAT POSSIBLE CONNECTIONS HE MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE WITH  
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AMERICAN EMBASSY AND MEXICAN AUTHORITIES. CONGRESSMAN

ALSO CONCERNED THAT MEXICAN GOVERNMENT REPORTEDLY GAVE  
RUSSELL N-5234-S AS HILL'S AIRCRAFT NUMBER.

WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY VIEWS THIS MATTER ASAP BY  
TELEGRAM. KISSINGER

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